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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 3, 2008, a reply being due December 3, 2008, Applicant submits a request and fee for a one-month extension of time, extending the reply from December 3, 2008 to January 3, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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